

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-87 were pending in this application at the time the present Ex Parte Quayle Office Action was mailed. Claims 62-87 have been cancelled in this response without prejudice to pursuing these claims in a divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, or other application. Claims 17, 31, 42, 54 and 60 have been amended in this response to clarify certain aspects of these claims. Claims 1, 21, 32, 55, and 56 have been amended in this response to improve the readability of the claims and/or correct clerical errors without narrowing the claims.

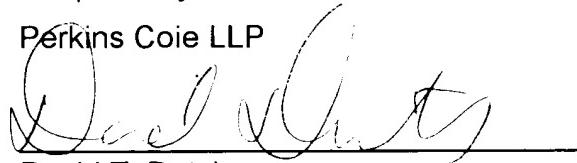
Pending claims 1-15, 18-30, 32-41, 43-53, 55-59, and 61 have been indicated to be allowable. The undersigned attorney respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of previously withdrawn claims 16, 17, 31, 42, 54 and 60 which depend from allowable claims.

In view of the foregoing, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned attorney at (206) 359-6465.

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